GOVERNMENT OF GUAM OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AGANA, GUAM

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SOCIAL SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the current trend in all social welfare programs throughout the United States and its territories is the involvement of the citizenry and the recipient group in program planning and regulations as a means of improving services; and

WHEREAS, during the past years social welfare programs in the Territory of Guam have continuously been expanding especially in the provision of comprehensive social services; and

WHEREAS, it is now essential that members of the community participate in the development of local welfare programs.

WHEREAS, the Public Welfare State Plan for the Territory of Guam and Section 220.4 of Chapter II of Title 45 of the Code of Federal Regulations relative to public welfare require that an advisory committee be established for the Division of Social Services programs; namely, Family and Children Services, Child Care Services, Services for the Aged, Blind and Disabled, and Medicaid; and

WHEREAS, it would be more convenient administratively to establish a single advisory committee to serve all of the programs previously mentioned; and

WHEREAS, the formation of a single advisory body does not contradict the federal regulations on public welfare programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICARDO J. BORDALLO, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby establish a Social Services Advisory Committee for the Division of Social Services of the Department of Public Health and Social Services. This committee shall advise the principal policy setting and administrative officials of the Division of Social Services, and shall also have adequate opportunity for meaningful participation in policy development and program

administration. The membership composition of the Social Services Advisory Committee shall be fifteen (15) in number, out of which five (5) persons or one-third must be selected from the recipient group or its representatives; three (3) members selected from government agencies; three (3) from service providers, and four (4) members from the community-at-large. Members shall serve for terms of two (2) years, and new members shall be designated after each term. All members shall be selected by the Governor.

THAT the Chairman of this committee shall be chosen by the Committee from among its membership.

THAT the committee shall be established immediately upon the promulgation of this order.

THIS supersedes Executive Order No. 71-3, dated January 31, 1971, and its amendment, Executive Order No. 72-20, dated May 31, 1972.

Signed and promulgated at Agana, Guam this _____ day of _____, 1977.

/s/ RICARDO J. BORDALLO

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